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Dear Sir:

This is a Petition for Refund of fees associated with submission of an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed subsequent to a Final Office Action.

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The Examiner mailed a Final Office Action November 2, 2004. Petitioner argued in the Response of January 3, 2005, and the Supplemental Response of January 11, 2005, that the finality of the Office Action of November 2, 2004 was premature and improper as the Examiner failed to address several of the claims of the above captioned application. Petitioner electronically filed a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement on January 11, 2005 under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d) with the requisite statement under §1.97(e) and fee of \$180.00 under §1.17(p). This submission was qualified for feeless entry and consideration under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) with the statement under §1.97(e) but for the premature finality of the Office Action of November 2, 2004.

Recognizing that the finality of the Office Action of November 2, 2004 was premature, the Examiner issued a non-final Office Action on January 27, 2005. Accordingly, the finality of the Office Action of November 2, 2004 was improper and the fee of \$180.00 for entry and consideration of the IDS submitted January 11, 2005 was paid by mistake. In view of the foregoing, Petitioner requests that the fees associated with the filing of the Supplemental IDS of January 11, 2005 be credited to the credit card account to which the fee was charged in accordance with 37 C.F.R §1.26.

Respectfully submitted,

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